

# CSWC Operational Period Summary

## 1800 January 10 2016 to 0600 January 11 2016



Crews remove mud flows across a road during a flash flood watch in the Silverado Canyon burn area in early January 2016.

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Note: [Report updates are in blue](#)



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# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

## **National News – Significant Events**

### **Back to school for children displaced by Los Angeles-area gas leak**

(Reuters) In the latest disruption from the biggest methane gas leak in California history, nearly 2,000 Los Angeles children returning to class this week after winter break have been reassigned to schools outside the affected area over health concerns. The Los Angeles Unified School District, the nation's second-largest public school system, announced the plan after students described headaches, bloody noses, nausea and breathing irritations. Eleven-year-old Cameron Michaels said he suffered daily health problems from the gas leak. "You can't focus, you can't concentrate, you can't learn at all," he said. Hundreds of residents have reported similar symptoms to the Los Angeles County Public Health Department, said Dr. Cyrus Rangan, director of the toxics epidemiology program for the agency. County health officials said in a report the symptoms are likely temporary. "I hope they're absolutely right, but I can't take that chance," said School Board member Scott Schmerelson, who led the student relocation effort. "I'd rather err on the side of safety." Schmerelson's district includes the Porter Ranch community on the outskirts of Los Angeles near where the leak was first discovered in October in a cracked pipe at an underground storage field. Methane, the main component of natural gas, is not considered toxic. Common sources of methane emissions include wetlands and livestock operations. The leak has accounted for about a quarter of the state's total emissions of methane, which is seeping out of the ground at the site in amounts never before seen in California. Methane is the second-most common human-generated greenhouse gas in the United States. County health officials say the symptoms residents are describing are caused by the odorant added to natural gas. Last week, Gov. Jerry Brown declared a state of emergency to address the leak. Southern California Gas Co, which owns the site, said drilling a relief well and repairing the broken pipe could take until late March.

## **International News – Significant Events**

### **Afghan peace talks resume in Pakistan**

(ALJ) Talks aimed at kick starting negotiations for a final peace settlement in Afghanistan have begun in Pakistan. Monday's meeting could revive a process that collapsed last summer after Afghanistan announced that Mullah Mohammad Omar, founder and leader of the Taliban, had died in a Pakistani hospital more than two years ago. The announcement led the Taliban to pull out of the talks after just one meeting hosted by Islamabad. The discussions on Monday will also include the governments of the US and China. Factors influencing peace talks

Infighting within the Taliban: Ever since the appointment of new leader Mullah Akhtar Mohammad Mansour, there have been divisions, and it is unclear who would represent the group if talks went forward. The rise of ISIL in eastern Afghanistan: The armed group has been fighting the Taliban. Lack of trust and confidence between Pakistan and Afghanistan: There is hope that with the involvement of the US and China, this could be mended. Javid Faisal, deputy spokesman for Afghan Chief Executive Abdullah Abdullah, said that Pakistan would present a list of Taliban members who are and are not willing to participate in talks with Kabul on ending the 15-year war. The agreement would also include "bilateral cooperation on eliminating terrorism", Faisal said. "Those who are interested in peace can join the dialogue, but those who wish to continue the fight will be targeted through joint counterterrorism platforms," Faisal said. Speaking at the meeting on Monday, Sartaj Aziz, a foreign affairs adviser to Pakistan's prime minister, said: "The primary objective of the reconciliation process is to create conditions to bring the Taliban groups to the negotiation table and offer them incentives that can persuade them to move away from using violence as tool for pursuing political goals."



# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

## **Cal OES Southern Region Storm, 2016-01-05 Winter Storm**

- The Southern Region Emergency Operations Center (SREOC) is activated to Level I and continues to coordinate the regional response in support of 2016-01-05 Winter Storm.
- A Regional Event has been created in Cal EOC: 2016-01-05 Winter Storm

## **Critical Concerns**

### **San Bernardino County, Power outage, Southern California Edison (SCE)**

- An extended power outage has been reported by the San Bernardino County territory rep in Forest Falls. The outage may not be restored until Monday for some customers.
- Approximately 31 customers in the Jenks Lake and Forest Falls areas continue to be impacted by the prolonged outage.
- The SCE Incident Management Team (IMT) established to support the restoration efforts is planned for demobilization today.
- SCE's mobile command unit will remain at its Yucaipa location until 9:00 p.m. today.
- Crews have completed the damage assessments and will continue repairs tomorrow. The estimated restoration time for the remaining 31 customers is today, 1/11/16 at 1800 hours
- County Fire has partnered with SCE in the distribution of approximately 125 blankets and 200 flashlights.
- Fallsvale Water Company, working with SCE to reenergize the final pump on the Jenks Circuit by 1800 hours tonight.
- There are no requests for state assistance or unmet needs at this time

### **American Red Cross**

- Shelter and shelter support teams will remain on standby in the Yucaipa area through Tuesday, 1/12/16

# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

## **SPILL 16-0206, Sewage, City of San Diego, San Diego County**

- On 01/10/16 at 1711 hours the California State Warning Center received notification of a sewage release from the City of San Diego, Public Utilities. Rain caused the integrity of a hillside to fail causing the rupture of a 15 inch sewer main resulting in an 84,000 gallon spill.
  - The release was not contained at the time of notification and was leaking at a rate of 200 gallons per minute
  - The release is dumping into Tecolote Creek. The creek goes to Fiesta Island and into the Pacific Ocean
  - Per Cal OES staff, erosion caused the pipe to fail which resulted in a leak
  - The Hazmat team will be issuing a press release and posting warning notices at necessary areas along the bay
  - There are no evacuations or disruptions to roads or utilities
  - The pipe is being repaired
  - All notifications were made according to SOP

## **Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought**

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

## **Weather of Concern**

### **Northern California**

- Unsettled pattern will bring multiple systems this week into the weekend across northern California.

### **Southern California**

- High surf conditions are expected for the Central Coast through much of the coming week.

## **Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:**

[http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa\\_bc\\_cal.php](http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php)

# WEATHER

## WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

#### **Eureka Weather:**

Light rain or sprinkles can be expected today as a weak system moves through the region. A stronger system will begin to impact Northwest California on Tuesday and continue into Wednesday bringing periods of heavy rain and windy conditions. The wet pattern will continue into this coming weekend.

#### **Medford Weather:**

Today through Thursday a return to a wet and windy pattern beginning with a weak system today, followed by a much stronger system Tuesday and Wednesday.

#### **Reno Weather:**

High pressure will remain along the West Coast into Tuesday. Valley inversions will strengthen with dry conditions. The next area of low pressure will approach Wednesday which may provide the next chance for snow in the Sierra.

#### **San Francisco Weather:**

A weak system passing through will bring some light rain to our area today mainly over the North Bay. A stronger and wetter system will bring widespread rainfall and gusty winds to the region beginning Tuesday night lasting into Wednesday.

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## WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

### **CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:**

#### **Sacramento Weather:**

Patchy valley fog possible overnight otherwise weakening Pacific storm will move through Monday with main threat of light precipitation over the Coastal and Western Shasta mountains. Potentially stronger storm is forecast Tuesday night and Wednesday with unsettled weather possibly continuing into next weekend.

#### **Hanford Weather:**

A weak system will track to the north of our area today with weak ridging taking place over the region allowing for fog development during the late night through mid-morning hours on Tuesday. A stronger system will move through our area on Wednesday and Wednesday night providing for rain and mountain snow.

### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:**

#### **Los Angeles Weather:**

Weak offshore flow will bring dry conditions and a warming trend today and Tuesday. On Wednesday another cold front will sweep across the area and will bring the threat of rain and mountain snow. Thursday and Friday will be dry but another system may bring additional precipitation on Saturday and Sunday.

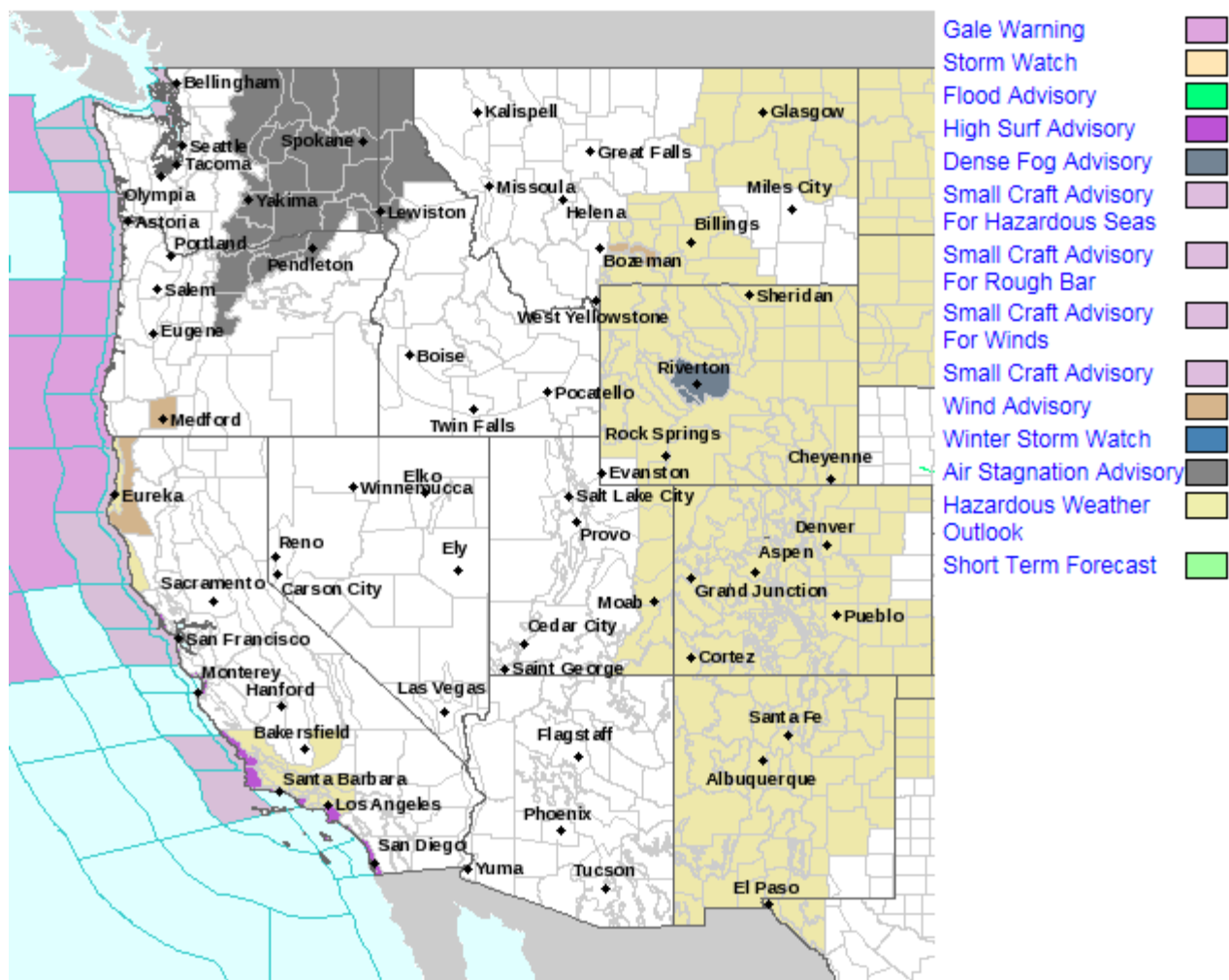
#### **Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:**

Fair and dry with minor warming Monday and Tuesday then cloudy and cooler with a chance of showers late Wednesday into Thursday. Fair weather returns for Friday with a small chance of precipitation sometime next weekend.

#### **Southeast California Weather:**

A quiet but cool week is in store across the region. Dry weather will prevail at least through Thursday. Temperatures are expected to remain below normal through the entire week.

# WEATHER



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# **FIRE ACTIVITY**

## **Preparedness Levels**

### **National Preparedness Level 1**

#### **Northern California**

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

#### **Southern California**

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

## **California Fire Potential & Weather Maps**

### **Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential**

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

### **Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential**

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

### **California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings**

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

### **NWS California River Forecast Center:**

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>



# CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

## Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may put the following link to the brochure on their webpage <http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf>
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC and will be held once per month.

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### **Local Emergency Proclamations:**

**A total of 63 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:**

- 29 Counties: Butte, Colusa, Calaveras, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 13 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County), City of Willits (Mendocino County), and City of Fort Bragg (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County), Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).

# CAL OES MISSIONS

## New/Closed Missions

- **2016-LAW-20790, 1/10/2016, 0917 hours, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) requesting cell phone forensics from AFRCC to assist in their search of a missing 51 year old woman last seen in the Wrightwood area on 1/9/2016. AFRCC accepted the mission. Update: 1/10/2016, 1309 hours, LASD advised MP was located alive and well. LDO updated AFRCC. Mission Closed**

## New/Cancelled Missions

- **2016-LAW-20796, 1/10/2016, 1252 hours, Riverside County Sheriff's Office(RCSO) requesting (12) type-1 alpine searchers for an immediate response to assist in searching the Mt. San Jacinto area above the Palm Springs Tram for a reported missing/overdue 28 year old male hiker last seen on 1/9/2016. This request is for an immediate response for a night operation with a 1800 hour briefing at the ICP located at #1 Tramway Road, Palm Springs. Conditions at the summit are two feet of snow and ice, low temperatures, and threat of inclement weather. Search elevation is above 8,600 feet. RCSO also requesting additional (12) type-1 alpine searchers for a day operation, 1/11/2016, with a 0800 hour briefing. Cal OES LEB coordinated the response with Los Angeles, San Bernardino, and San Diego County Sheriff's. Update: At 1426 hours, RCSO advises MP found alive and well requesting all mutual aid resources be cancelled. Mission Cancelled.**



**Mission:**

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

*We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.*